

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel Claims 14-16 and 33-35 without prejudice.

Claim 30, line 6, before "surface" insert --track--.

Claim 39, change line 2 to read as follows:

--Claims 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 or 27--.

Claim 41, line 2, change "1" to --4--.

Rewrite Claim 48 as Claim 48(amended) as follows:

*37* ~~48~~. (amended) An improved prosthetic joint for implantation between a first bone and a second bone, comprising:

first means for being implanted in said first bone and having a first bearing surface;

second means for being implanted in said second bone and having a second bearing surface for being positioned opposite said first bearing surface; and

third means for being positioned intermediate and for engaging said bearing surfaces to provide joint articulation between said bones and for permitting unrestricted motion in a first predetermined direction within limits permitted by soft tissue, and unrestricted *axially of said bones* motion within limits provided by soft tissue; and [for providing stability in the second predetermined direction.]

fourth means for constraining motion of said third means during joint articulation to a predetermined path relative to said second means to provide stability in a second predetermined direction.

Claim 53, line 17, before "sliding movement" insert --translational--.